

REMARKS

In the restriction requirement dated February 2, 2006, a restriction was required between three inventions. Invention I was stated to be claims 1-17 drawn to a coin bank classified in Class 453, Subclass 13. Invention II was stated to be claims 18 and 23-35 drawn to a coin metering tray classified in Class 53, Subclass 29. Finally, Invention III was said to be claims 19-22 drawn to a coin sorting assembly classified in Class 453, Subclass 13. It was stated that the inventions are distinct each from the other. Therefore, a restriction was required as among the claims of Groups I, II and III.

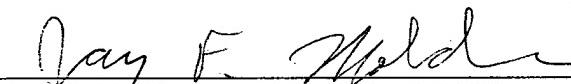
In response, applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I for examination. It was stated in the Office Action that Group I comprised claims 1-17. However, applicant has amended the remaining claims, claims 18-35 so that they now also are drawn to a coin bank. As such, it is believed that all of the pending claims 1-35 fall within the ambit of the invention of Group I. More specifically, claims 1-35 are all now drawn to a coin bank classified in Class 453, Subclass 13. As such, it is respectfully submitted that all of claims 1-35 should now be examined.

Respectfully submitted,

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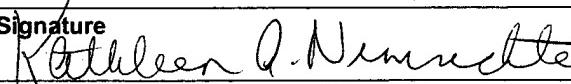
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